



County Seat: Ryegate

Central Montana Health District

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The county is served by a multi-county health department centered in Fergus County.

DEMOGRAPHICS	Golden Valley					Montana				
Area	1,175 square miles					145,552 square miles				
Population Density and Status	0.9/ sq. mi. (frontier)					6.2/ sq. mi. (11 rural and 45 frontier counties)				
Urban Population	0 (0%)					487,878 (54%)				
Population ¹ :	Male	Female	White	Am Ind	Other	Male	Female	White	Am Ind	Other
Gender	539	503	1,033	6	3	449,480	452,715	817,229	56,068	28,898
Race	0-4	5-9	10-14	15-17	<18	0-4	5-9	10-14	15-17	<18
Age	54	87	88	59	288	54,869	61,963	69,298	43,932	230,062
	18-24	25-44	45-64	65+	18+	18-24	25-44	45-64	65+	18+
	61	240	281	172	754	85,757	245,220	220,207	120,949	672,133
	Total Population: 1,042					Total Population: 902,195				
Educational Attainment of Population 25 years or Older ¹	HS Graduate (or GED)		Bachelor Degree			HS Graduate (or GED)		Bachelor Degree		
	71%		16%			87%		24%		
Full- and Part-time Employment, by Industry (three largest)	Largest industries and percent of all jobs					Largest industries and percent of all jobs				
	Farm (39.9%) State and local government (15.6%) Retail trade (15.0%)					Services (30.6%) Retail trade (18.8%) State and local government (11.4%)				
	(Notable others ≥ 10% of all jobs)					None				
Unemployment Rate ²	4.7%					4.6%				
Median Household Income ¹	\$27,308					\$33,024				
Per Capita Income ¹	\$13,573					\$17,151				
Percent of Population Below the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) ¹ : by Age by Income as a Percent of FPL	All ages		<18	18+	65+	All ages		<18	18+	65+
	25.8%		22%	27%	22%	14.6%		19%	13%	9%
	50%	100%		150%	200%	50%	100%		150%	200%
	16%	25.8%		39%	52%	6%	14.6%		26%	37%
Percent of Population with Health Care Costs covered by a Government Payor	Medicaid		Medicare			Medicaid		Medicare		
	8%		19%			11%		15%		
Persons 21 Years and Older with a Disability ¹ (percent)	21 - 64		65 and older			21 - 64		65 and older		
	112 (20%)		70 (41%)			85,337 (17%)		45,284 (40%)		
Live Births per 1,000 Population ³	11.2 (n = 59)					12.1 (n = 54,193)				
Deaths per 1,000 Population ³	7.6 (n = 40)					8.8 (n = 39,527)				
Median Age:	Male	Fem	White	Am Ind	All	Male	Fem	White	Am Ind	All
by Gender, Race ¹	40.9	42.2	41.3	43.0	41.5	36.6	38.5	38.8	24.4	37.5
at Death ³	71.5	80	73	51	72.5	75	81	78	62	78
(number of deaths)	(22)	(18)	(39)	(1)	(40)	(20,498)	(19,029)	(37,589)	(1,789)	(39,527)

¹ 2000 Census.

² MT Dept. Labor & Industry, 2001.

³ 1996-2000, Office of Vital Statistics.

COUNTY HEALTH PROFILE
September 2002

HEALTH STATUS INDICATORS	Golden Valley				Montana			
Fertility Rates ⁴ (teen births per 1,000 teen females; all births per 1,000 females of childbearing age)	Teen		All Women		Teen		All Women	
	20.8 (n=4)		66.4 (n=59)		36.9 (n=6,460)		58.8 (n=53,995)	
Prenatal Care (percent beginning care in the first trimester; percent receiving adequate, i.e., early and continuous prenatal care) ⁴	1 st Trimester		Adequacy		1 st Trimester		Adequacy	
	72.9%		45.8%		82.5%		72.6%	
Percent Low Birthweight ⁴ (below 5 lbs. 8 oz.)	5.1%				6.5%			
Infant Mortality (deaths per 1,000 live births) ⁴	0.0				6.7			
Cancer Incidence Rate (diagnoses per 100,000 population) ⁵	651.2 (95% C.I. ±277.1)				443.6 (95% C.I. ±6.1)			
Leading Causes of Death ⁴	1. CANCER 2. HEART DISEASE 3. ACCIDENT				1. HEART DISEASE 2. CANCER 3. CEREBROVASCULAR DISEASE			
Heart Disease Death Rate (per 100,000 population) ⁴	228.3 (n=12)				229.4 (n=10,248)			
Motor Vehicle Accident Death Rate (per 100,000 population) ⁴	19.0 (n=1)				23.3 (n=1,043)			
Suicide Rate (per 100,000 population) ⁴	19.0 (n=1)				18.5 (n=827)			
Traumatic Injury Death Rate (per 100,000 population) ⁴	95.1 (n=5)				63.7 (n=2,847)			
Percent of Motor Vehicle Crashes Involving Alcohol	16.8% (n=20)				9.5% (n=10,688)			
Percent of the Medicaid Population Receiving Mental Health Services (FY2001)	12.8%				19.6%			
Percent of 2-yr. Olds Seen by a Health Care Provider that are Fully Immunized (2001)	N/A				92% (n=1,965)			
STD Incidence (reported cases per 100,000)	19.0 (n=1)				160.9 (n=7,191)			
HEALTH RESOURCE ASSESSMENT, 2002	Golden Valley				Montana			
Local Hospitals, Critical Access Hospitals (CAH), and Total Number of Beds	Local Hospitals		CAH	# beds	Local Hospitals		CAH	# beds
	0		0	0	36 local; 2 child/ adult psych; 1 VA		27	2,937
Rural Health Clinics, Federally Qualified Health Centers, IHS and Tribal Health Facilities (number)	RHCs	FQHCs	IHS & Tribal		RHCs	FQHCs	IHS & Tribal	
	0	0	0		36	14	17	
Availability of Basic and Enhanced 9-1-1 Services	Basic				Basic-all counties; Enhanced-16 counties			
Availability of Emergency Medical Services: Basic Life Support Services Advanced Life Support Services	#	Golden Valley County Locations						
	2	Ryegate						
	0	N/A						
Nursing Homes (number of facilities and beds)	0 (0 beds)				105 (7,733 beds)			
Aging Services: number of Personal Care Home [PC], Adult Foster Care [AFC], and Adult Day Care [ADC] Licenses	PC (# beds)		AFC	ADC	PC (# beds)		AFC	ADC
	0 (0)		0	0	147 (3,173)		106	64
Home Care Services: number of Home Health Agency [HHA] and Hospice Licenses	HHA		Hospice		HHA		Hospice	
	0		0		51		30	
Public Health Resources: number of full-time equivalent Public Health Nurses [PHN], Registered Sanitarians [RS], Registered Dietitians [RD], and Health Educators [HlthEd]	PHN	RS	RD	HlthEd	PHN	RS	RD	HlthEd
	Central MT Health District (Fergus Co)				116.1	81.5	14.4	26.9
Primary Care Provider Resources: number of doctors [MDs and DOs], Nurse Midwives [NMW], Nurse Practitioners [NP], and Physician's Assistants [PA-C]	MD/DO	NMW	NP	PA-C	MD/DO	NMW	NP	PA-C
	0	0	1	0	1,060	31	298	210
Dental Resources: Dentists and Dental Hygienists	0 dentists		0 hygienists		477 dentists		391 hygienists	
Health Care Provider Shortage Status:	Federal HPSA: All							
Health Professional Shortage Areas [HPSA]	Mental Health HPSA: Yes				Dental HPSA: All			
Medically Underserved Areas or Populations [MUA/MUP]	MUA/MUP: All							

⁴ 1996-2000, Office of Vital Statistics.

⁵ 1996-2000 average, age-adjusted to 2000 standard-million population, Montana Central Tumor Registry, DPHHS.

* Non-transporting